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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

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SUBJECT: ISRAELI-IRANIAN COOPERATION IN ARMS PRODUCTION

REF: SECTO 8153, TEHRAN 7185

1. IN LIGHT OF THE FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM YOU,
MY EARLIER INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT ARE MODIFIED AS
FOLLOWS. IN YOUR NEXT CONVERSATION WITH THESHAH, INFORM
HIM THAT THE QUESTION OF PROPOSED ISRAELI-IRANIAN COOPERA-
TION IN ARMS DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTION WAS RAISED WITH
ME DURING MY RECENT VISIT IN JERUSALEM. ALTHOUGH I TOLD
THE ISRAELIS AT THE TIME THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
WAS NOT OPPOSED, IN PRINCIPLE, TO JOINT ISRAELI-IRANIAN
COOPERATION IN THIS FIELD, I ALSO NOTED THAT WE WOULD OF
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COURSE NEED TO REVIEW SENSITIVE ITEMS ON A CASE-BY-CASE
BASIS. CLEARLY THE PRODUCTION OF SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILES
WOULD FALL IN THE LATTER CATEGORY. I CAN FORESEE PO-
TENTIAL PROBLEMS WITH REGARD TO THE PROPOSED PRODUCTION OF
THE TWO TYPES OF MISSILES MENTIONED TO YOU BY THE SHAH,
BUT WILL REFRAIN FROM A SPECIFIC RESPONSE PENDING MORE
DETAILED INFORMATION ON WHAT ISRAEL AND IRAN HAVE IN MIND.

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